

## Reaching Out By Joyce Jameson

Here's an opportunity for all of us to help women and girls in our area. Soroptimist International of Gold Canyon (SIGC) is holding it's annual community drive during the month of November and we need your donations to make it happen.

This is the fourth year we have supported Hope Women's Center in Coolidge. In operation since 1984, this faith-based organization has five centers across the Valley. They offer services for women and girls facing seemingly impossible life situations - providing mentoring, educational classes and resources to help their clients work toward a better future for themselves and their families. Earning points by availing themselves of the Center's services, women are able to get much needed personal and household care items, clothing for themselves and their children, plus assistance with their utility bills.

Here's what we all can do during the month of November: Pass the word to friends and drop off donations at Canyon Rose Storage, 6405 Kings Ranch Road in Gold Canyon. Their hours are Monday through Saturday, 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Personal and household items needed are shampoo, body wash, deodorant, toothpaste, diapers, dish and laundry soap, to name a few. PLEASE...no travel sized items and no clothing.

The goal of SIGC is to help improve the lives of women and girls. We do this in many ways: GED funding to assist those in need of a high school diploma, tutoring and scholarship money for Pinal County foster girls, the Live Your Dream Award for women pursuing higher education, community drives and hands-on support for local organizations focused on helping women.

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